

MAY 2010 MEETING MINUTES

VILLAGE OF BITTERN LAKE

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

May 10, 2010 @ 7:00 pm in the Village Office

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Sheldon Sendeck

Deputy Mayor Earl Debnam

Mayor Sendeck in attendance via telephone conference.

Councillor Robyn Booth

CAO Theresa Fuller

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by Mayor Sendeck at 7:00 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

#53/10

Carried.

AMENDMENTS AND

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Mayor Sendeck made a motion to accept the agenda with the addition of Cameras Quote.

#54/10

Carried.

CONFIRMATION OF

MINUTES

Mayor Sendeck made a motion to accept the minutes as presented.

#55/10

Carried.

GUESTS

Mr. Gordon Budd - No items to present.

CORRESPONDENCE

Municipal Affairs invitation to submit for Municipal Excellence awards

There are a couple of awards that the Village may qualify for. Partnership award or small municipality. To check into as time will allow.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Bittern Lake Community Hall - Public Meeting April 28, 2010 - 7:00 pm

Furnace quote copy

To date Council has not heard any new information from the hall board.

Discussion continued as to where to proceed from this juncture in time.

Discussed the possibility of creating a survey, do we want to lease out the facility? Many questions came up.

We have been approved for the grant funds to replace the furnaces. The grant funding sources do not look favourably on returned funds. Proceeding with the furnace replacement appears to be the best route to go.

2. Disaster Bylaw Review - County meeting May 31, 2010 - 7:00 pm

Mayor Sendeck, DEM Chuck Jarvis, and CAO Fuller to attend.

3. Recreation Area Project - Book date

Defer till Mayor Sendeck is out of the hospital.

4. Krause Development - April 2010 plan

No word officially from Mr. Krause. Recommendation to send him a letter requesting complete Area Structure Plan.

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5. 2010 Project Finalization

Pump house Upgrade

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Mayor Sendeck made a motion to apply to use coordinated Grant funding from AMIP, MSI Capital and NDCC for the Pump house Upgrade.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Communities in Bloom Request Tree purchase

Communities in Bloom purchased three trees, two for the boulevard, and one for beside the skating rink area. They had dropped off one billing for the tree beside the skating rink. Would council consider covering the cost of this tree? Council discussed the tree purchase. The Village of Bittern Lake makes annual donations of \$ 500.00 per year to Communities in Bloom, consequently council declined to pay for the tree.

Village Resident concern with Tax Payment deadline

We have received a resident concern with the Tax Payment timeline. The concern was printed and copies were shared with council. Council had discussed this in previous years and the plan was to implement gradual changes in tax timeline over a three year timeframe.

PW Assistant Resignation

The Public Works assistant has tendered his resignation, how would council like to proceed?

#57/10

Mayor Sendeck made a motion to proceed with advertising for a new public works assistant.

Carried.

Cameras

Council reviewed the Camera quote. The quote included cameras in the following locations: on the hall pointing toward village office, back peak of office at the generator, and one for the recycle site.

CAO Fuller to research which grant the cameras can be purchased with.

CAO REPORT

Mayor, Reeve, CAO meeting update

CAO Fuller and Assistant CAO Tinson attended the most recent Mayor, Reeve, CAO meeting. It was very informative with all four MLA's in attendance. The discussion proceeded around MSI operating, healthcare, etc, the MLA's and all involved had even considered involving the MP's as well.

Tax update

Taxes were mailed out on May 7, 2010. There have been some individuals with concerns regarding the increase and also with the change in tax timeline as well.

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Xplornet update

Expected to receive detailed diagrams of pole location very soon, so that the development permit can be prepared.

Office update

The transition with replacing Sarah's maternity leave has went well to date. The generator installation is complete, with the exception of fuel connection. CAO Fuller anticipates making the arrangements with PW Foreman Brattinga fairly shortly.

FINANCIAL

#58/10

Mayor Sendecki made a motion to accept the financials as presented.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT


#59/10

Mayor Sendeck*i* made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm.

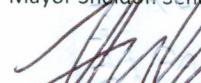
Carried.

NEXT MEETING

June 14, 2010 @ 7:00 pm, Village Office



Mayor Sheldon Sendeck



CAO Theresa Fuller